IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE WESTERN DIVISION FILED BY D.C. 05 JUN 30 PM 3: 57

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

THOMAS M. GOULD CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT W/D OF TIX, MEMPHS

Plaintiff,

vs.

NO. 05-20151

JOE HOWELL,

Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DETERMINE COMPETENCY
TO STAND TRIAL

Before the Court is the defendant's June 23, 2005, motion requesting that the defendant undergo a mental evaluation pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 4241 and 4247(b). For good cause shown, the defendant, Joe Howell, is ordered to undergo a complete mental evaluation at a suitable federal facility to determine whether he is mentally competent to understand the nature and consequences of the proceedings against him and to assist properly in his own defense and to determine his competency at the time of the offense.

This matter is continued to October 3, 2005, for trial, with a report date on September 26, 2005, at 9:30 a.m. The continuance is necessary to allow the defendant to be examined as to his mental competency and to allow both parties additional time to prepare.

Time is excluded under 18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(1)(A) and under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(iv) to allow defendant to undergo a mental evaluation and to allow counsel to prepare.

It is so ORDERED this 35

Daniel Breen

of June, 2005.

United States District Judge



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Honorable J. Breen US DISTRICT COURT